



Robbery in Stroud

Police arrest suspect in Armed Robbery at Credit Union.

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Launching Festive R.I.D.E. Season

The Festive R.I.D.E. season was launched provincially on November 21, and South Simcoe Police are among the police services that will be cracking down on drinking drivers, during the holiday season.

South Simcoe Police have dedicated a team of 6 officers to the Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere initiative - to be augmented by Overtime officers, thanks to a \$16,000 grant from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional services.

"Impaired driving is the leading criminal cause of death in Canada," says Sgt. Sgt. Wilson. "We will not tolerate this behaviour and are committed to keeping our roadways safe through the pro-active R.I.D.E. initiative."

Last year, during the 2012 Festive R.I.D.E. campaign, South Simcoe Police stopped 7,830 vehicles, and apprehended 34 impaired drivers. Officers administered 550 roadside breath tests, and issued 48 three-day suspension for drivers registering a WARN.

Unfortunately, the numbers were up from 2011, when 20 impaired charges were laid.

"It is disappointing, but we remain committed to keeping our roadways safe," says Sgt. Wilson.

South Simcoe Police will once again have an additional tool thanks to support from KIA Canada - a 2014 KIA Sorento, that will be used as a support vehicle, to transport equipment and officers to R.I.D.E. checkpoints. The mobile Command Post which is equipped with an Intoxilizer device, will also be used.

"The Provincial government has taken very aggressive steps to curb impaired driving in recent years. This includes escalating sanctions for warn-range drivers, ignition interlocks and immediate 90 day suspensions for those charged with impaired driving. Despite these legislative changes, we continue to see drivers make selfish choices and operate a motor vehicle after consuming alcohol," says Wilson. "Drivers can make the right choice and plan an alternate way home. This could include a friend, taxi, public transit or a driving service.

"For drivers who refuse to make alternate plans, South Simcoe Police...will be conducting spot checks nightly to remove dangerous drivers from the roadway."

At around 9 p.m. on November 25, officers stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation in Bradford, and detected an

see RIDE Page 4

Queen Mom Monalisa, Princess Mareesol and Dragon Tiago, at the Bradford Public Library on November 23, for the Free Family Saturday on the theme, "Once Upon a Time." The next Free Family Saturday takes place December 7 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. - an invitation to "Trim the Tree." For more Holiday-themed events, see Santa's Corner on Page 11.

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Child Seat charges

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Last chance to register

Bradford West Guildwimbury residents who need help with food and care for children under 16 at Christmas time are asked to register at the Helping Hand Food Bank, 123 Moore St. in Bradford. The last day to register is November 29 between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m.

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How Big Is Your Retirement Shortfall?



By: Roch Beaulieu C.F.P.

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2014 Police Budget down 2.91%

The South Simcoe Police Service and Bradford West Guildwimbury-Innisfil Police Services Board are on track to achieving the budget reduction promised during the Police Costing process.

Police Services Board Chair Lori Boudreau presented the 2014 Operating Budget to BWC Council on November 19, noting that the \$15,726,903 total represents a 2.91% decrease from 2013.

Boudreau said the reduction is a result of the retirement of leases, and a decrease in salaries "reflecting ongoing reorganization of the service." Through redeployment, the Service has been able to defer the hiring of 3 additional sworn officers, and through attrition, has seen the number of Civilian employees drop from 43 to 36.

The Chair also repeated a

request for the establishment of a Police Capital Reserve Fund, that would allow the South Simcoe Police to purchase instead of lease police vehicles. "Operational leases are costly," said Boudreau. "The goal is to retire all leasing costs by 2017."

The Service is asking for the 2014 Police Budget surplus of \$231,574, and 2013 surplus of about \$242,000 to be set aside in a capital reserve, totalling \$473,574.

Boudreau said the Police plan to use \$282,285 to purchase new cruisers in 2014, and \$120,000 for new Niche software that also promises administrative savings. With the addition of \$93,000 already been used to purchase 3 vehicles, the total capital request for the coming year is \$495,285 - resulting in a \$21,711 shortfall that "we are seeking

from the municipalities."

South Simcoe Police Chief Rick Beazley provided further information on the cost of vehicle leases, and on planned future capital requests.

He explained that plan to purchase 12 new cruisers each year, eliminating leases, would begin to produce savings as soon as 2016.

"I'm sure we can save, moving forward," he said.

"The operating budget is at the level the Chief said it would be when we went through the costing process," said Mayor Doug White, pointing out that the Capital budget would be covered by Police budget surpluses - and suggesting that the Service should find the additional \$21,711 needed within its own budget.

Chief Beazley agreed, and Council received the Budget.

Grant for Matthews House Hospice approved by the Town

The Town of Bradford West

Guildwimbury has voted to support a grant application from Matthews House Hospice. The Hospice, located on Hwy. 89 near Allison, provides grief and bereavement counselling and end-of-life support for residents of South Simcoe west

of Hwy. 400.

Currently, Matthews House receives only 7% of its budget from the Central Local Health Integration Network and the province. For the rest, it relies on donations.

Deputy Mayor Rob Keffler recommended providing

financial support to Matthews House, and urged Council to lobby the Central LHIN and the Province to provide adequate funding.

Councillor Ron Simpson proposed a grant of \$7,200 to cover the cost of a nurse for one month. Council voted in favour.

Arrest in Stroud armed robbery

South Simcoe Police report that at about 3:38 p.m. on November 22, a lone male entered the Peoples Credit Union in Stroud, Innisfil, and robbed it at gun point. The suspect fled on foot, with an undisclosed amount of money. No-one was injured. The suspect was described as white, large build, wearing dark clothing, and a mask covering his face. A search of the area by Police and the K-9 Unit immediately following the robbery was unsuccessful, however Criminal Investigations Bureau was able to identify a suspect.

The suspect was tracked to the Windsor area around 10 p.m. later that evening. Essex County OPP and Windsor Police were notified, and the suspect was arrested and taken into custody after a brief car chase in Windsor. A handgun and cash were recovered in the suspect's vehicle.

A 54-year old Barrie male is facing charges of Robbery, Assault with a Weapon, and Weapons Dangerous to the Public Peace. He was held overnight for a Bail hearing back in Barrie Court.



Distracted driving

South Simcoe Police have wrapped up a Distracted Driving campaign, November 18-24. During the campaign, 61 charges were issued under the Distracted Driving legislation, and 21 charges for other Highway Traffic Act Offences.

Operation Full Focus was the 2nd such campaign conducted by the South Simcoe Police this year. In May, the Service laid a total of 44 Distracted Driving charges, for holding a handheld communications device - a sign that the problem isn't going away.

Distracted Driving is ranked among the top 3 most dangerous behaviours on Ontario roadways - up there with Impaired driving, and speeding. Numerous studies have confirmed that a distracted driver is 4 times more likely to be involved in a collision.

Industrial accidents

Police were kept busy on Nov. 20, with a series of industrial accidents, all in the Town of Innisfil. One worker was showered with glass when a large light bulb broke; a second suffered a cut to his foot when some machinery shifted; a third lacerated his hand with a saw. None of the injuries was considered serious, but the Ministry of Labour was notified. All 3 workers were taken to hospital for assessment.

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Finance Minister in Bradford

The York-Simcoe Provincial Liberal Association held a fundraiser in Bradford, November 21 at Lusitano Restaurant and Banquet Hall - welcoming Municipal Finance Minister Charles Sousa as guest speaker. Liberal supporters paid \$250 apiece for the opportunity to meet with the Minister, and hear his take on Ontario's economic recovery.

The Minister noted that in his 25 years of banking experience, he found that encouraging partnerships between government and business, and addressing the issues that face families, resulted in greater investment and economic impact - focussing on fiscal responsibility "but also the social balance."

That is, he said, the approach that the Provincial Liberals have taken. "We've got to make long-term investments that will be a benefit," Sousa said. "We must encourage those strong fundamentals in Ontario... Austerity, in a very balanced manner."

He suggested that the Opposition "don't get that in that order to succeed, we must invest." Sousa outlined some of the spending contained in the budget - including money to promote youth employment, and \$35 billion over the next 5 years to invest in "strategic" infrastructure, including roads, bridges and transit.

"Investment in infrastructure is critical," he said. "It's costing us \$6 billion a year, in investments lost."

He also described some of the new initiatives being explored to generate funds - including Green Bonds, and a Trillium Trust, comprising funds from the sale of assets.

"It's not about more government. It's about more opportunity." That said, the Minister insisted, "I don't want to talk about the Economy. I want to talk about why we do what we do. We are compassionate... as fair as we are prosperous." Fairness is "just as important as that financial balance in our books."

But he did go on to talk about the \$70,000 net new jobs since the recession - a number "equal to the rest of the country combined" and the importance of continuing investment.

"We will invest. We must," said Sousa, using the opportunity to criticize

the Opposition. "On one hand, the Progressive Conservatives want to take it away - huge cuts. On the other hand, the NDP want to give it away - reckless spending."

Sousa was asked if Ontario would recover its manufacturing base. "We can't compete on labour, we can't compete on the dollar, energy inputs were going up... and our major markets, the U.S., was drying up. That's how we got hit right away." In the Recession, he said, suggesting that the introduction of new manufacturing processes, a focus on IT and on sectors like aerospace, are what will give Ontario a competitive edge.

"The old smokestacks don't cut it any more." The Finance Minister was also asked about Pension Reform. "Almost 60% of Ontarians don't have a pension. Many aren't

investing in RRSPs," he said, and those who do have defined benefit pensions are worried about shrinking value. Sousa noted that all too many Middle class seniors may find themselves with only the \$12,100 per year provided by the Canada Pension Plan. "That's not enough. That's a problem."

He has been working with the provinces to develop an understanding with the Province "that something needs to be done now," before the start of another economic cycle. Next month Premiers will meet with the Federal Finance Minister at Meech Lake, to discuss at least a modest adjustment of the CPP, he said.

"These are nation-building exercises, and Ontario is leading the way on many issues," Sousa concluded - adding that if the Feds are unresponsive to pension reform, "we'll look at a made-in-Ontario plan."

Minister Charles Sousa (centre) with BWG Councillor Raj Sandhu and York-Simcoe Provincial Liberal Association President Jonathan Scott.



A new bridge for Newton Robinson

In 2012, the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury retained GHD Inc. to carry out a Class Environmental Assessment for the old Newton Robinson Bridge, on the 10th Line west of County Rd. 27.

An engineering report has identified the T-beam concrete structure, built circa 1921, as "the oldest structure of all types in the municipality," and in need of immediate repairs or replacement. The structure is "in very poor condition," with corrosion and cracking of the concrete beams, spalling of the concrete, and damaged or missing handrails. The bridge is rated for a 10 tonne limit.

A Public Information Centre was held November 25 to present the recommendations of the consulting engineers.

The existing single-lane bridge is old enough to be considered a heritage structure, and two of the options looked at preserving as much of the old bridge as possible, through "adaptive reuse" - moving the road to the north or south, and retaining the Newton Robinson bridge as part of a pedestrian trail.

In the end, the recommendation was to the complete replacement of the bridge. "Adaptive reuse" posed environmental challenges, had a greater impact on adjacent homes, required acquisition of property, and had a significantly higher cost.

The preferred option, presented on Monday night, called for the replacement of the existing bridge, which has a span of 10.7 metres and width of 5.56 metres, with a new bridge, that would span 25 metres - accommodating high water in the Pennville Creek - and 10.6 metres wide, enough for 2 lanes of traffic, plus a 1.2

metre "recovery" lane. The cost is expected to be about \$1.7 million.

Several residents stopped by the PIC to learn more about the plans. The consensus they liked the idea of a new bridge, as long as their taxes won't go up.

The Town has applied for funding for the Newton Robinson Bridge replacement from the Small, Rural and Northern Municipality Infrastructure Fund. The Town is asking for \$850,000 - 50% of the cost.

It's the second time BWG has asked for provincial help for the bridge. In 2012, the Town applied under MIII - the Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative - but was turned down. At the time, the pool of money for the entire province was \$50 million. The current grant fund has \$100 million available in 2013-14 to "help address critical road, bridge, water and wastewater projects."

Municipalities can apply for only 1 project, with funding of up to 90% available, to a maximum of \$2 million. BWG is asking for 50% to demonstrate "a willingness to equal partners with the province," a report to Council explained, and to increase the likelihood of receiving funding.

Residents also wanted to know when the 10th Line would be improved - something beyond the scope of the Environmental Assessment.



Ken Chow, Professional Engineer with GHD, TransIt Infra Structure, at PIC.

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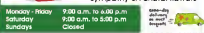
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Salute to Innisfil's veterans

"From the earliest times of conflict to the peacekeeping missions of today, Innisfil men and women have stepped forward to defend their country. Whatever their role... each has been a cog in the wheel of seeking world peace." - From the Foreword to *Innisfil Veterans - Their Lives and Memories*.

For three years, the Innisfil Historical Society and its 15-member Innisfil Veterans Committee tracked down veterans and their families, hunting through archives and old newspapers for stories, interviewing families and in some cases, the veterans themselves. They gathered with about 480 stories, dating back to the War of 1812 and the Napoleonic conflicts - but, said project co-ordinator Donna Wice, "This book took on a life of its own." We expanded to about the 700 mark. In fact, it became a race against time, to record the stories of aging veterans, some of whom passed away before the book was published; their biographies are marked with a special notation.

November 11 - Remembrance Day - the Historical Society held a "Salute to

Veterans" at the Innisfil Town Hall, and launched the new book.

Its 465 pages are filled with history, anecdotes, and period photos - family groups, men and women in uniform.

Many veterans and their families attended the launch - buying copies, and immediately checking their own stories, before reading the articles

on friends and neighbours.

"This book was created to honour the veterans of Innisfil," Wice said. "Thank you for trusting us with your personal stories."

MP Peter Van Loan also thanked the veterans, on Remembrance Day, for stepping up when their country called. "People put their lives on the line, not for people we know, not for our homeland... but for humanity." And while he praised the Committee for their hard work, he noted, "This book was really written by the lives of people who served." Copies of the book are still available, for \$50 each, from the Innisfil Historical Society.

From right, MP for York-Simcoe Peter Van Loan shares a story with Barbara Love and Tony Bellissimo, at book launch.



Photo by Rob Alary

South Simcoe Theatre in Cookstown presents That December Show, December 4 to 8 at the Old Town Hall Theatre, 1 Hamilton St. - a hilarious Pantomime version of The Wizard of Oz, suitable for the whole family, ages 3 and up. Weds., Thurs. and Fri. at 7 p.m., Saturday at 2 and 7 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$18 per person; call 705-458-4432 for purchase. In photo Dorothy (Michelle Bailey), "Tin Man" Chris Perchuk, and Ozzy Kristine Hutchens.

Letters to the editor

Holland St. nightmare

To the editor: We were at the Public Information Centre for the Holland Street reconstruction, Nov. 6, and raised the following concerns with Mayor Doug White:

1. **Emergency vehicles.** On any normal day, the traffic jam on Holland St. East between Dissette St. and Barrie St. has always been problematic. To 4655 owners and residents of Holland St. East, the traffic situation we struggle with on a daily basis - especially during rush hours or when there is a collision - is unreasonable and unacceptable. If the 4 lanes were reduced to 2, and someone needs medical assistance, can you tell us how the emergency vehicles get to us - let alone in time to get the help we need? Every second counts, especially when it comes to heart attack.

The traffic is far worse in winter, when huge transport trucks are stuck on the road due to bad conditions, awaiting tow trucks that could take 1-2 hours - making the backlog worse than ever. Under those circumstances, can you tell us how emergency vehicles reach the most vulnerable, when there is only one lane that could be blocked by accidents, rush hour traffic or the breakdown of a transport truck? Can you assure us that if there was only one lane each way our safety would not be jeopardized? If you cannot provide us with the assurance, why would you put our lives at risk, or compromise the emergency service we are entitled to, as a resident and taxpayer?

2. **Traffic.** Since 1975, we have owned a business on Holland St. East; we have resided in the area for over 6 years. We have first-hand experience of the existing traffic conditions. As it stands, traffic is bad enough, and there is a demand for road expansion. Newmarket is growing and is widening Davis Drive from 4 lanes to 6, a profound decision made professionally. Yet our Town is choosing to do otherwise, reducing the lanes by half, and expecting improvement in traffic flow. It's unheard of, that one would see improvement

when you have more traffic but fewer lanes. It's going to be nothing but a nightmare for us, for many years to come.

3. **Business.** If the project proceeds as planned, there will be a direct impact on our business. There would be fewer parking spaces for our customers, and our delivery trucks would face tremendous problems in getting the goods delivered to us. Can you provide us with a solution, so that we do not lose our business, and delivery trucks can deliver the goods to us in a timely fashion?

Mr. and Mrs. Porter, Bradford

Thank you to a stranger

To the editor: I've just arrived home and the snow is still falling.

I didn't realize the storm was so heavy. Saturday, I decided to drive to Shoppers Drug Mart to pick up a prescription. On the way there, I got stuck on Magani Ave., at the corner of Miller Park. I was halfway up the hill when I got stuck in the middle of the road.

I had been rocking back and forth without success for a few minutes. As I have 16" steel rods in my back, and require a cane to move about, I was very scared someone might hit my vehicle. As I was contacting 911, a young man left his vehicle and approached me to offer assistance. I moved to the passenger seat while this young man took over the steering wheel.

Thankfully, he was able to back my vehicle down the hill safely, and proceeded to park it in the lot beside the apartment building on Miller Park. In addition to safely moving my vehicle, he then proceeded to offer me a ride to Shoppers, to pick up my medicine.

Unfortunately, I was shook up and did not get this young man's name. He told me he worked for the City of Vaughan and was on his way home. I wanted to thank this young man for his help. His parents should be extremely proud of the caring person they have raised.

I am so thankful to be home, safe and sound.
Deborah Atkinson, Bradford

Time to renew, at the Bradford Legion

Notice to all members... **Early Bird Membership** deadline is fast approaching. Renew before November 30 or be forced to draw to win next year's membership for free!

Friday Night Social Time - every Friday at 6 p.m. at the Bradford Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, 115 Back St. in Bradford. Come out and enjoy dinner prepared by the Culinary Arts Students at Bradford District High School for a nominal fee, then stay for music and fellowship. All welcome.

Monday & Thursday Night Fun Darts,

Festive R.I.D.E. Season now underway in South Simcoe

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odor of alcohol on the driver's breath. The 51 year old Bradford resident arrested a War on a roadside screening device - the second time that

7:30 at the Branch. Everyone welcome.

Each, on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month, 1 p.m. All welcome.

Coming up: Christmas Dance, December 14, featuring the Bradford Cruisers. Tickets available at the bar call 905-775-5025.

The Legion is here for Canada's Vets. There is support available for veterans and their spouses, whether at home, or in a nursing home or care facility. Contact Veterans Services Officer Sean Griffin at 705-251-0208.

he had registered in the War range recently. As a result, he received a 7-day driving prohibition, and will be required to take an alcohol education treatment program before his licence is reinstated.

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For further information or to request a deputation, please contact the Clerk's Division.

Regular Meetings of Council & Committee of the Whole – Council Chambers, 425 Holland St. W.

• Tues. Dec. 3 @ 7:00 pm- BWG Library & Cultural Centre, Zima Room

Special Meeting of Council – Early Payment Agreement
• Tues. Dec. 2 @ 7:00 pm- BWG Library & Cultural Centre, Zima Room

BOARD/COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Downtown Revitalization

• Wed. Dec. 4 @ 7:00 pm- Engineering Services, 305 Barrie St., Boardroom

Police Services Board

• Mon. Dec. 16 @ 7:00 pm- Innisfil Town Hall, 2101 Innisfil Beach Road, Community Room

Library Board

• Mon. Dec. 16 @ 7:00 pm- BWG Library & Cultural Centre, 425 Holland St. W., Boardroom

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Complete tender documents (PDF format) will be available electronically to download on Thursday, November 14th, 2013 by visiting the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury's website at <http://www.townofbwg.com/TownHall/Purchasing/TendersandRFPIndex.htm>

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It is also a violation of Section 4.9 of By-law 2006-027 to let your dog run at large.

ALL DOGS WITHIN BRADFORD WEST GWILLIMBURY MUST BE LICENCED YEARLY.

In accordance with Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Dog Control By-law 2006-027:

- Every dog within Bradford West Gwillimbury must be licensed yearly;
- A maximum of **three** dogs are permitted per legal dwelling unit;
- No owner shall allow a dog to run at large. A dog not on a leash is deemed to be at large when on property other than that of the owner.
- Every owner of a dog is required to clean up and properly dispose of any excrement left by their pet from both public and private property.
- No owner of a dog shall allow the dog to howl, bark excessively or otherwise become a nuisance.

To obtain the 2014 license for your dog, they are available at the following locations as of November 1st, 2013:

- > **On-Line** @ <http://www.townofbradfordwestgwillimbury.on.ca>. Click on Town Services/Environment/Animal Services. It will then direct you to click "here" for purchase of dog licenses. Tags will be mailed to you directly.
- > **The Administration Office**, 100 Dissette Street, Units 7 & 8, on Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.
- > **Bradford West Gwillimbury Public Library**, Monday to Thursday 9:30 am to 5:00 pm, Friday & Saturday 9:30 am to 5:30 pm.

2014 Dog Licensees rates are as follows: *Dog (In Tact)* \$35.00; *Dog (Spayed or Neutered)* \$30.00; *Dangerous or Restricted Breeds* \$55.00. Whether applying for a license on-line or in person, you will be required to bring in, or provide the following information:

1. Owner's Name, Address & Telephone Number;
2. Dog name, Breed, Colour and Sex;
3. Rabies Number and Date of Inoculation;
4. Date of Spay or Neuter if applicable; and finally
5. Veterinarian's Name, Address and Telephone Number.

If you have any questions, please contact the Enforcement Office directly at 905-775-5366 x 1102.

TO ALL RESIDENTS AND VISITORS

WINTER PARKING RESTRICTIONS FOR ROADWAYS
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Bradford West Gwillimbury By-law 94-047, Section 6.2 (e) as amended, is in force and effect, which does not permit parking on any Street between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. from November 1st to May 1st of the following year, save and except for the following roads:

Holland Street West to Holland Court,
Holland Street East to Nelson Street,
Simcoe Road South to Centre Street; and
Barrie Street North to John Street

Of which the no parking regulation will be between the hours of 3:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.

Also be advised that the Stopping of vehicles on
Sidewalks within Bradford West Gwillimbury is prohibited.
Don't let a parking ticket ruin your day!

MOTORIZED SNOW VEHICLES

Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury By-law 94-080 regulates the operation of motorized snow vehicles within our Municipality.

With the snow season fast approaching, owners must ensure that all motorized snow vehicles have a permit validated by the Ministry of Transportation. In addition, the following regulations must be complied with while operating snow vehicles within the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury:

No person shall:

1. Operate a motorized snow vehicle in the Town during any day between the hours of 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. in a residential subdivision;
2. Drive a motorized snow vehicle upon a sidewalk in the Town, except for the purpose of directly crossing such sidewalk;
3. Operate a motorized snow vehicle upon any privately owned property without the express written permission of the owner of the property;
4. Operate a motorized snow vehicle on any Town parklands and properties;
5. Cross a serviced roadway except at an angle of approximately 90° to the direction of the serviced roadway.
6. Drive a motorized snow vehicle at a greater rate of speed than:
 - 20 kilometers/hour on a highway where the speed limit is 50 kilometers per hour or less;
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Set fines for non compliance with By-law 94-080 are \$95.00.

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NOTICE OF CONSTRUCTION

NORTH CANAL BANK ROAD

This Notice is to inform residents and business owners that North Canal Bank Road from Highway 400 to Simcoe Road may experience lane interruptions due to the Holland Marsh Drainage System Canal Improvement Project.

Construction commenced on July 3, 2011 and will continue in the area described above until further notice.

Construction hours remain from 7am to 7pm. Through traffic may be subject to lane reductions/interruptions intermittently during these working hours.

If you require additional information call the Holland Marsh Drainage System Joint Municipal Services Board at 905-778-4321. Please leave your name and phone number, with your concerns and someone will return your call promptly.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury is now accepting applications for the following positions:

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2013-ET11

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2013-FO11

Facility Attendant/Labourer

2013-FA11

A complete description of job duties, qualifications and application instructions for these positions can be found on the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury website at www.townofbwg.com under the *Employment Opportunities* section; or at the Towns Human Resources office as listed below.

Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury,
Human Resources Department
100 Dissette St., Unit 4 Box 100, Bradford,
Ontario L3Z 2A7

Fax: 905 775-8633 or email hr@townofbwg.com

We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those being considered for an interview will be contacted. In accordance with the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, personal information is collected under the authority of the *Municipal Act*, and will only be used for candidate selection.

The Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury is an equal opportunity employer. Accommodation will be provided in accordance with the *Ontario Human Rights Code*.

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Danube Christmas Dinner

The Danube Seniors Leisure Centre, located at 715 Simco Rd., south of Bradford, invites Members to a Christmas Lunch of Turkey and all the trimmings, and entertainment by The Goldenaires, Thursday, December 14. Doors open at noon, lunch is served at 12:30 p.m. Tickets \$15 per person, and MUST be purchased in advance. Members only: 905-775-0612.

Learning life-saving CPR

If you could save a life, would you? That was the question posed by the County of Simcoe Paramedic Services and Heart & Stroke Foundation on Saturday, Nov. 23, during Save-A-Life CPR Day. Thirty-three Simcoe County residents answered with a resounding "yes", signing up for a morning training session at the Bradford Community Centre.

The CPR Level A training course was free, with a donation of a non-perishable food item for the local food bank, and covered adult and child CPR, choking, and use of an Automated External Defibrillator, or AED. The trainees watched a video, which demonstrated the patterns of breathing and chest compressions that are now standard for CPR, or Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation: two breaths, "just enough air to make the chest rise", followed by 30 "hard and fast" chest compressions.

They practised on special dummies, and watched a demonstration of the AED, now found in over 600 arenas,

schools and other public places in Simcoe County, through the PAD or Public Access Defibrillator program. That's because CPR, combined

with the use of a defibrillator, provides the best chance for survival, for anyone suffering sudden cardiac arrest outside of a hospital setting. The Heart & Stroke foundation estimates that approximately 45,000 cases of sudden cardiac arrest occur in Canada each year. For every minute without help, the chance of survival drops 7 to 10%. In fact, the survival rate of victims outside of

a hospital setting has been less than 5%, with CPR and AEDs, the chance of survival improves by up to 75%.

Photo: Simcoe County Paramedic and Public Access Defibrillator co-ordinator Christina Ireland demonstrates the use of an AED in Bradford, November 23.



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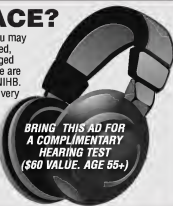
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Operation Christmas Cheer

Operation Christmas Cheer is an effort by Bradford Alliance Church to bring a merry Christmas to at least two families facing financial hardship this year.

The goal, said organizer Tracy Gordon, is to provide all the groceries for Christmas Dinner, as well as Christmas gifts for the kids and the two single moms, identified by the Children's Aid Society as needing assistance.

"We're even doing it for the



pets", Gordon said, thanks to a generous donor - and a local tree farmer will be providing live Christmas trees.

To raise the funds, Gordon and Britney Blaney co-ordinated the first-ever Operation Christmas Cheer Gift & Craft Show and Silent Auction at the church, on Nov. 23.

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concert - Saturday, November 30 at St. John's Presbyterian Church at 2 p.m. The church is located at 10 Sideroad and the 8th Line, Bradford West Gwillimbury. By freewill offering. For info contact Danielle Aaron at 705-331-6058 or bradfordchildrenschoir@gmail.com

The Newmarket Folk Society presents **The Good Brothers**, on Saturday, Nov. 30. At the Royal Canadian Legion, 707 Strigley St. in Newmarket. Doors open 7:15 p.m., concert starts 8 p.m. Tickets available from NCMI, 250 Main St. South in Newmarket, or call Carol or Dave at 905-836-9073.

St. Peter's Anglican Church, 6254 Yonge St. in Churchill, Innisfil, hosts its see **MUSIC Page 19**

Scott Wood's Country Christmas

To say Scott Woods grew up in a musical family is an understatement.

Dad Merv Woods began taking lessons in violin at the age of 4. A classically-trained violinist, he also played saxophone - and began performing professionally in 1944, at the age of 12. He launched the Merv Woods Orchestra by 1950, playing old-time fiddle music, and swing.

In 1956 a young pianist named Carolyn Dyer joined the band, and began touring. Granddaughter of the legendary fiddler Charlie Dyer, she married Merv in 1960.

"They had four children - Scott was the youngest - and all four began violin lessons at an early age," Dad always believed you needed the classical training. You need the foundation, to be able to play tune, and in time," Scott said.

But as a reward for slogging through the scales and etudes, Merv would also teach them "the fun stuff" - the fgs and reels of country music. By the time Scott was 8, he was playing with the Merv Woods Orchestra, on drums. "I had quite an exposure to big band music, swing music," he says, but also to old-time fiddle music, accompanying other members of the family to the Canadian Open Championship fiddle contests in Shelburne, Ontario.

He was 8 when he entered his first competition there, winning the 12 & Under fiddle champion-ship - the first of many awards. He has won 18 & Under, the Novelty Class three times, the Duet Class 3 times with sister Kendra, the Open Championship,

the Canadian Masters, but has no trouble identifying his most meaningful title.

"When I was about 12 or 13, I wrote on a piece of paper... I'd win the Canadian Open," like Graham Townsend, Elmer Townsend, and Donny Reid. It wasn't until 1983, at the age of 22, that he took the title.

"That was the goal, that was my dream, that was my Mt. Everest," he says. And although he has won plenty of other awards, it remains his sweetest win.

Scott took over his dad's orchestra in the 1980s, and has been touring with the Scott Woods Band ever since. On Saturday, December 7, the band will bring their brand-new **Country Christmas Show** to Bradford, featuring old-time fiddle and country music, seasonal songs, inspirational stories, step dancing,



trick fiddling and more, 7 p.m. at St. John's Presbyterian Church, 10 Sideroad at the 8th Line BWG.

Woods will be joined by sister Kendra, 2013 Bluegrass Guitar Player of the Year Steve Pileco, drummer Wes Dymond, Bruce Timmins on base, and Amanda MacInnis - a triple threat, who sings, fiddles and twopoints. "She just steals the show every night."

Tickets are only \$20 for adults, \$10 for children 12 and under, free for tots 5 and under - available at Nancy's Nifty Nook, 152 Holland St. East; The Bradford Print Shoppe, 170 Artesian Industrial Parkway; St. John's Presbyterian Church - or call Lella, 905-775-6618.

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Santa's Corner!

The Simcoe County Paramedics will continue to accept donations of **new, unwrapped toys and clothing**, in the drop box located at 170 Artesian Industrial Parkway, Units 6 and 7, in Bradford, until December 14. "All children deserve a happy holiday season," says Simcoe County Warden Cal Patterson. "We're proud of what our Paramedic Services team has accomplished over the past 10 years and we thank all our residents who donate to this great cause."

Cabana Tan holds their annual **Food Drive** for the Helping Hand Food Bank. Come in to the tanning salon at 157 Holland St. East in Bradford, donate a non-perishable food item, and fill out a ballot for a chance to win a prize! Drive will wrap up on Dec. 15. For details, call 905-778-8268.

W.H. Day Elementary School on Maplegrove in Bradford hosts **Storytime with Santa**, from 6 to 8 p.m. on November 29 - featuring crafts, hot chocolate, songs, stories and a visit from Santa!

The Bradford Lions Club presents **Breakfast with Santa**, Saturday, November 30 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the Bradford & District Memorial Community Centre, 125 Simcoe Rd. Come and enjoy a buffet breakfast, and bring your camera for photos with Santa! Only \$5 per person - free for kids under 12, accompanied by an adult, with the donation of a non-perishable food item for the Helping Hand Food Bank. Breakfast with Santa is a fundraiser for the Food Bank.

see **SANTA** Page 19

Bradford Ribfest Toy Drive & Fundraiser

The folks who organized Bradford's highly successful Ribfest are holding a very special fundraiser. This Saturday, November 30 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., they have partnered with Westin Homes to present the **Bradford Ribfest 1st annual Toy Drive and Fundraiser**, to ensure that every child in Bradford has a gift to open this Christmas. Enjoy BBQ pulled pork sandwiches, hot dogs and hot chocolate, Christmas Music, over \$500 in prizes - and with a donation of a new, unwrapped toy for a child, a free photo with Santa, and free fun on a Disney bounce castle.

The Fundraiser will be held at the Westin Homes model home on Langford Ave., beside Zehrs Market in Bradford. All welcome.

It's the Arts: Expressions at the Library

The Bradford Arts Guild (BAG) presents **Expressions 2013**, Saturday, November 30 at the Bradford Public Library, 425 Holland St. West, and the BWG Leisure Centre on West Park Ave. from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Once again, BAG welcomes the Masonic Ch.I.P. program - a free identification program, offered by Masons, that invites the public to register vulnerable adults (those with dementia, Alzheimer's, autism). The program provides families with an ID kit that would be essential to helping police locate a missing loved one - from statistics, photographs and digital fingerprints, to hair and saliva DNA samples. The information is put together in a kit that is retained by the family, in case of emergency.

The program is offered free at the Bradford Library on Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., but please register at the Bradford Arts Guild, 905-392-7475, email BradfordArtsGuild@gmail.com, see www.BradfordArtsGuild.com

Gallery 21, located in the Century 21 Heritage Group Ltd. Office at 1 Queen St. in Tottenham presents **Ode to Jack Frost** - a winter wonderland of paintings by 12 regional artists, to January 31, 2014. There will also be an "Art Cards" event on December 7, the date of Tottenham's Santa Claus Parade and Light Up celebrations. See www.facebook.com/Gallery21

South Simcoe Arts Council
Holiday Pop-Up Art Market, to December 23

at the SSAC Gallery at the
Gibson Centre, 63 Tupper
see **ARTS** Page 19

Christmas Craft Shows & Bazaars

The 20th Annual United Way Craft Sale takes place in Newmarket at the York Region Administration Building on Yonge St., on Friday, November 29, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Bradford Valley Specialty Care long term care centre, located at 2656 Line 6 in Bradford, hosts its annual **Christmas Bazaar** on Saturday, November 30, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Discover perfect gifts for

everyone on your Christmas list, from the many vendors.

Lefroy United Church **Christmas Bazaar**, at the Grange Hall and Lefroy United Church, takes place Saturday, December 7 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Gifts, Penny and White Elephant tables, and a home-made lunch at the church. Don't miss the annual Quilt display up in the Sanctuary. For information call 705-456-2098 and leave a message.

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Bond Head Horticultural Society

The Bond Head & District Horticultural Society's final meeting of 2013 takes place Thursday, Nov. 28 at the Danube Seniors Leisure Centre, 715 Simcoe Rd. south of Bradford, at 7:30 p.m. Awards Night, AGM and Election of Officers and Directors. Guest speaker is Mary-Anne Verccammen, on the topic, *Christmas Centre Piece*.



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Recognizing Watershed Heroes

Every year, the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority honours its "Watershed Heroes" - individuals, businesses and groups whose actions improve the health of Lake Simcoe and its environs.

Awards are presented for water

conservation projects, soil conservation, environmental education, and for long-lasting and significant contributions to the watershed - from manure storage, to sustainable development.

This year's Conservation Awards were presented November 7, at Madson's Greenhouses & Garden Centre, Emcee for the evening was Julia Bachelor, host of Rogers TV's *A Greener York*. **Water Conservation Awards** were presented to the Aurora Basmasters for their wild rice restoration projects in Lake Simcoe, and for their work on naturalizing Scanlon Creek in Bradford West Gwillimbury; Mushvane Farms in Uxbridge for a manure storage project; and The Subston Farmer in Brock, for a variety of livestock exclusion and naturalization projects.

Soil Conservation Awards were presented to Sue and Brian Wookley of Georgina, and Walter and Ineke Duyvestyn of Brock, for their tree-planting efforts.

Education Awards went to the EcoCrew of Quaker Village Public School in Uxbridge; the Eco Team at Alexander Muir Public School in Newmarket; and the Uxbridge Watershed Advisory Committee.

Media recognition award was presented to Johanna Powell and Lake Simcoe Living Magazine, published in Bradford and Barrie, which focuses on the history, arts, culture and science of Lake Simcoe.

A new award was presented in 2013 - a **Pioneering Green Communities Award**, recognizing individuals or groups who strengthen the connections between human and natural systems. Receiving the inaugural awards were Living Green Barrie; and **The Friends of Scanlon Creek**, who through their volunteer work days and other activities, have built stronger ties with the urban community and encouraged residents to discover Scanlon

Creek Conservation Area.

The Ernie Crossland Young Conservation Award was awarded to Kelley Shaw of Orillia, is the founder and president of the Green Team at Twin Lakes Secondary School, and a volunteer with Kids for Turtles Environmental Education

and the Couchiching Conservancy.

The Conservation Award of Merit went to Paul Bailey of Mosaic Glenway Homes in Newmarket, for incorporating energy and water conservation,

and Low Impact Development principles into a sustainable subdivision development.

Finally, the **George R. Richardson Conservation Award of Honour**

for lifetime achievement went to John McCutcheon of Uxbridge, member of the Uxbridge Trails Committee, and founder of the Pat & John McCutcheon Foundation, which supports environmental protection.

The 81 year old McCutcheon was in Florida and unable to attend. The award was accepted by his son Bill, who read from a speech prepared by his father, that urged the creation of a trail system from Lake Ontario to Lake Simcoe.

Debbie Bath, Chair of the Board of Directors at the LSRCIA noted, "Human actions can have a positive or negative influence on our surroundings." Each award recipient "is making the decision to contribute in a positive way, building a more resilient environment. The importance and the impact of their actions can't be overstated."

Top: From right, LSRCIA Chair Debbie Bath, Aurora Mayor Geoff Dawe, East Gwillimbury Mayor Virginia Hackson present Water Conservation Award to Aurora Basmasters President Dave Meadows.

Below: Friend of Scanlon Creek Sylvia Bowman (centre) accepts Pioneering Green Communities Award from Debbie Bath and BWG Councillor Del Drake.



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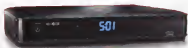
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community listings

MEETINGS

SOUL SURVIVORS: A Cancer Support Community meets the 1st Wednesday of the month at Trinity Anglican Church, 730

p.m. for cancer survivors and those currently experiencing cancer - a support group in a spiritual context, followed by a short contemplative service of healing. Contact Fr. Dan Graves, 905-775-2200.

PLACES OF WORSHIP

Springdale Christian Reformed Church
1468 Sideview St., Bradford
905-775-3731

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Sunday School & Nursery
www.springdalecr.net

Newton Robinson United Church
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Sewice B20, Am.

Bond Head United Church
Hay, 68 west of Hwy 27
Sewice 11 a.m.
Sunday School & Nursery Available

905-775-2512

Trinity Anglican Church
62 Church St., Bradford
(Corner of Church & James St.)

Sunday Services 9am & 10:30am
Sunday School, 10:30am

905-775-2200
trinityanglicanbradford.com

St. John's Presbyterian
2540 - 10th Sideroad

(8th Line & Middleton Rd)
905-775-7274

Sunday Services 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School and Nursery provided
aj@stjohnspresbyterian.ca

Bradford Alliance Church
758 Simcoe Road, Bradford

6:00am Sunday Service
Mid Week Home Groups
Monthly Men's Breakfast

905-776-0068
www.bradfordalliance.ca

St. Michael's Ukrainian Orthodox Church
2171 Simcoe Rd., Bradford

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www.stmichaelsorthodox.ca

St. Catherine of Alexandria Catholic Church
(Brampton Hwy)

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905-775-8262

Email: stcatherine@stcatherine.ca

Holland Marsh Christian Reformed Church

18835 Dufferin St., R.R. #2 Newmarket
Sundays 10:00 am & 6:00 pm
Sunday School & Nursery with service

Mid-week youth & adult programs
Rev. Richard Bodi
905-775-7261

E. hollandmarsh@rcn.bc.ca

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

53 Miller Park Ave., Bradford
905-775-9412

Sunday Service:
10:00 a.m.

Holy Martyrs of Japan Catholic Church

167 Essa St. Bradford 905-775-2065

Masses:
Sat. 5:00 p.m., Sun. 8:30 a.m., 10 a.m.,
11:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m.

Confessions:
1/2 hour before Sunday mass.

Bradford United Church
66 Barrie St.

905-775-7268
Service 10 am
Sunday School & Nursery Available

www.bradforduc.com

St. Paul's Anglican Church
Cathedral Hill
(NW corner of Court Rd. & 41st Line)

Sunday Service at 10:00 am
Sunday School with Service
289-231-3253

Bradford Community Church

Mid-week small group
905-775-8328, based on the St. Peter's of
Hwy #11 & Conc. 49

Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Nursery - Birth to 3 yrs Children 4-12 yrs

Riverview Bible Chapel

905-836-1798
402466 Bathurst (North of Hwy 11)

11:00 am - Family Bible Hour
1:00 pm Afternoon Service
7:30 pm Praise - Prayer - Bible Study

Bradford Baptist Church
3204-10th Sideroad

2 km north of Holland St. Hwy
9 am - Portuguese Service
10:30 am - English Service

10:30 am - Kids Program (Totter-Crèche R)
Mid Week Youth Program & Portuguese Meeting

905-775-5706
www.bcbccwv.ca

The Baha'i World Faith

905-551-2219

www.Baha'i.org

AL-ANON: Meets Wednesdays, 8 p.m. Holy Martyrs of Japan Church in Bradford basement, 167 Essa St. in Bradford. For information, write: al-anon.aleton.org, wsc@al-anon.org or call 1-888-444-AL-ANON.

SPEAK FOR SUCCESS

TOASTMASTERS: Toastmasters meet on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Thurs. of each month upstairs at the new BWG Leisure Centre, 79 p.m. for information see: www.speakfor-success.org All welcome.

HELP FOR IMMIGRANTS:

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BWG COMMUNITY MEAL:

BWG Community Initiatives hosts a hot meal at 5:30 p.m. every Friday evening, at Bradford United Church, 66 Barrie St. in Bradford. All welcome - doors open at 5 p.m. Free.

GRANDPARENTS, PARENTING AGAIN: Support group for grandparents with formal or informal custody of their grandchildren. Mondays at the Ontario Early Years Centre Bradford satellite, 118 Barrie St., 1 to 3 p.m. Child care available; call the centre at 905-775-3039 ext. 229 on the Friday before.

THURS., NOV. 28

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FRI., NOV. 29

ROAST BEEF DINNER: Trinity Anglican Church in Bradford, 62 Church St., hosts a Roast Beef Dinner with sitings at 4:30 and 6 p.m. Tickets are \$15 adults, \$7 for children 10 and under, available from Donna, at 905-775-0504.

SAT., NOV. 30

BRADFORD CHILDREN'S CHOIR CONCERT: Debut Concert for the Bradford Children's Choir, 2 p.m. at St. John's Presbyterian Church, 10 St. Paul and Line 90W, by Freewill Offering. For info, call Danielle 705-331-6058.

3RD ANNUAL BREAKFAST WITH SANTA: Bradford Lions present Breakfast with Santa at the Bradford Community Centre, 125 Simcoe Rd., 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Bring your camera for photos with Santa. Buffet Breakfast only \$5 per person; accompanied children under 12 are free, with a donation of non-perishable food for the food bank. A fundraiser for the Helping Hand Food Bank.

BRADFORD VALLEY CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: Bradford Valley Specialty Store Long Term Care Centre, 2656 Line 6 in Bradford holds its annual Christmas Bazaar, featuring baked goodies and plenty of vendors, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. - all welcome.

EXPRESSIONS: Bradford Expressions presents Expressions and musical talent. Includes young talent, guest storytellers, and Magician. Admission is a donation of non-perishable food for the food bank, or a free-will offering.

ITSI: Dutch Treats Specialty shop, 15 Holland St. East in Bradford, welcomes Sinterklaas and Zwarte Piet, from 1 to 3 p.m. Bring your camera.

BRADFORD RIBBIST TOY DRIVE & FUNDRAISER: Come out for a special Toy Drive and Fundraiser for kids in need, at the Westin Homes model home on Langford Ave., beside Zahra in Bradford. Enjoy BBQ'd pulled pork sandwiches, hot dogs and hot chocolate, Christmas music, over \$500 in prizes, and for everyone who brings in a new unwrapped toy for a child, a free fine picture with Santa and bouncy castles for tots, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

SUN., DEC. 1

CHRISTMAS CONCERT: At St. Peter's Anglican Church in Charlottetown, Inmiff, at 2 p.m., featuring the Sandycove Singers. All welcome to attend, to enjoy the concert and Christmas Tea. Free-will offerings gratefully accepted. Call 705-436-9769 for information.

TAPESTRY CHAMBER CHOIR'S MUSICAL JOURNEY: From Advent to Christmas, the Tapestry Chamber Choir, 3 p.m. at Trinity United Church (Park & Main St. in Newmarket). Tickets at the door - \$20 adults, \$15 Seniors/children, \$10 & under. Free will offering, free for Youth under 18. See www.tapestrychoir.ca

PET PHOTOS WITH SANTA: At Pet Vals (in the Hakim Optical plaza, 442 Holland St. West), 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost \$10. Bring your pet, 4"x7", with proceeds going to the Lions Foundation of Canada's Dog Guide program.

INNISPRIET CHOR IN CONCERT: At St. James United Church in Stroud, Inmiff, at 2 p.m. Choir from Churchill, Gifford, Lefroy and Stroud United Churches perform in a celebration of voices and musical talent. Includes young talent, guest storytellers, and Magician. Admission is a donation of non-perishable food for the food bank, or a free-will offering.

MON., DEC. 2

SCACA MEETING & CRAFT: Create a beautiful etched glass design on a watchmaker's case, or a great gift container for earrings or a bracelet. At the Simcoe County Museum, 1151 Hwy. 26, 12:30 p.m. doors

open, meeting starts at 1 p.m. Bring exact knife, paper scissors and a ball point pen. See www.simcoecrafts.ca. fee is \$10 for instruction and materials. RSVP to info@simcoecrafts.ca or call 705-719-1438.

WEDS., DEC. 4

BWG LOCAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION HISTORICAL POTLUCK: BWG Local History Association held its Christmas get-together in the Zima Room at the Bradford Library, 425 Holland St. W. from 5 p.m. Potluck! Please RSVP to Ann Campbell, at campbell.ann@rogers.com. By Nov. 28, with dish you are bringing.

MEMORY REPEL OF LIGHTS REMEMBRANCE SERVICE: Remembrance Services at York Region cemetery at Pickering College, 16945 Bayview Dr., Newmarket. Sign in 6:30 p.m., ceremony 7-9 p.m. Pre-register at blyor.premembrance.net.ca or call 905-898-6269.

THURS., DEC. 5

MAKE & TAKE HOLIDAY ORNAMENTS: For pre-schoolers and children's caregivers at the Ontario Early Years Centre, 118 Barrie St. in Bradford, 4:30-6:30 p.m. Free, but please pre-register at www.simcoecaregivers.ca or 905-775-3039 ext. 229.

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Sports

Bulls ride high in the rankings

By Stefan Spiroff, Co-op Student

The Bradford Bulls junior 'A' hockey club pulled within 6 points of tying the Greater Metro Hockey League-leading Seguin Huskies, with a well-earned 7-3 home victory over the Toronto Blue Ice Jets at Bradford's Bob Fallis Arena on November 20th.

The Bulls currently sit in 4th place in the GMHL standings, with a record of 18-3-2 through 23 games. The victory over the Ice Jets marked the end of Bradford's 2-game losing streak - when the team dropped down a few spots in the overall standings.

Last week, the Bulls were outscored by a combined 13-5, in losses to Temiscaming and Seguin. Bradford opened the season with a tremendous 15-game winning streak - but going into Wednesday's match, they were on the losing end of their last 7 games.

Coach Ryan Wood suggested that losing a few games can reap great benefits for a hockey club in the long run. "I'm really not a believer of long winning streaks," said Wood. "I feel that it gives off a bad vibe and players sometimes become overconfident. It's important that good teams lose a few games here and there, to bring them back down to Earth."

In Wednesday's meeting, Toronto forward Mark Rozanov drew first blood at 2:39 of the first period, giving the Ice Jets an early lead after the Bulls got off to another sluggish start. Toronto owned puck possession for a better part of the stanza, but Bradford rallied before the first period had expired.

"This wasn't the first time that the Bulls had been outplayed by their opponent in the opening minutes of a match," Coach Wood addressed his team's inability to establish an identity during the first 10-20 minutes of many hockey games this season.

"We've had a lot of trouble finding our legs early in games this season," said Wood. "We're slow starters, but we have had tremendous success in the second and third periods." Bradford Captain Dalton Mills tied the game with just under 2 minutes remaining in the first, popping a quick wrist shot from the slot and into the back of the goal. Forty-three seconds later, forward Aleksej Dokutovich whipped the puck from just beyond the blue line, somehow finding its way through a maze of bodies and under the blocking arm of Toronto goalie Svyatos Koskins, for a 2-1 Bradford lead.

The frame ended in a 2-2 tie.

Fredrick Surhey helped Bradford reclaim the lead at 7:42 of the 2nd period, notching his third goal of the season. Then Toronto got into penalty trouble. The Ice Jets were whistled down three times within a minute-and-a-half timespan, sending the Bulls off on a full, two-minute 5-on-3 power play. After some excellent passing by the Bulls, forward Nikita Litviak commented on a one-timer from the left circle, blasting the puck over Koskins's glove hand, off the cross bar and into the back of the goal at 13:22 of the period. It was Litviak's 14th goal of the campaign.

Bulls winger Dalton Anderson took an insurance goal with just under three minutes remaining in the second and it was a 5-2 game. Bradford took control, feeding off Toronto turnovers. The shots were 26-18 in favour of the Bulls after two periods.

"We played a very physical game in the second and third periods," said Coach Wood. "We had a lot of puck possession and we were able to minimize neutral zone turnovers as a result."

Toronto dominated the first few minutes of the 3rd, but Bradford goalie Valec Quachegan acted as a brick wall, turning aside a flurry of Toronto shots, letting defenseman Dallas Ingram managed to snap the puck past Quachegan at 4:50 of period, but that's as close as Toronto would get. Dalton Anderson and Valteri Pelinen tallied for the Bulls at 8:48 and 14:24 of the third, en route to a respectable 7-3 Bradford victory.

Quachegan stopped 25 shots in his fifth victory of the season. Bradford's number one goaltender, Sergey Bolshakov, watched the game from the bench after starting in fifteen of the Bulls' first 23 games. Bolshakov is the team's designated goalie - but Quachegan has solidified his reputation as a reliable back-up. The native of Moose Factory has a 5-5-0 record, along with a promising .951 save percentage and 1.63 goals against average [GAA].

"He's a very good goalie, and he has played great for us this season," said Wood. "We can't play Sergey every game, so it's nice to have a strong back-up goaltender as well. We gave him an opportunity to play against one of the best teams in the league [Ice Jets] and he earned the victory."

The Ice Jets are the 5th-best team in the GMHL, and sit just 3 points behind the Bulls. Bradford has been known to upset some of the best teams in the league this season. They handed first-place Seguin (22-1-0) their only loss of the year, and were one of two teams to defeat the 3rd-seeded Temiscaming Titans (19-2-1). Coach Wood is preparing the Bulls for an important hockey showcase in Toronto, beginning the week of December 17th. 11 of the top teams in the GMHL will face off, with college/university scouts in attendance. It's a great opportunity for players to get noticed.

Overall, Wood feels satisfied at his team's placement in the standings after 23 games. He believes that the Bulls will be strong contenders for the championship when the playoffs begin this spring. "We've been really strong in goal this year, and we're a great offensive team," he said. "However, we have a really young defensive core, and we're working on moving the puck a little quicker. Our strong fore-checking game has been one of our biggest keys to success."

It is coach Wood's first season behind the bench of the Bulls, and he is as impressed with his team off the ice as on. Some of the players hit the gym 7 days a week. They are also active within the community.

The team has been volunteering at Bradford's St. Jean de Brebeuf Catholic School for a couple of months, playing 1-on-1 hockey with the students, and sometimes running gym classes.

On Wednesday December 4th, the Bulls will be hosting St. Jean de Brebeuf night at Bob Fallis Arena, inviting students to watch the Bulls face-off against the Mattawa Voyagers. \$3 for Students, \$5 Adult admission, and \$11 from each ticket to go to the elementary school.

For those who can't make the event, the Bulls play home games every Weds. at Bob Fallis. Tickets are \$5.

BWGMHA Local League

ATOM LL

Nov. 24, NobleKing: 2, Bradford #2 - 1. Lone goal by Nathan Pruitt, unassisted.

PEEWEE LL

Nov. 3, Bradford #4 - 3, Bradford #2 - 3. Bradford #4 goals by Matt Quilz, Brett Lassen and Malcom Gill, from Quilz and Colby Jackson (3).

Nov. 18, Bradford #4 - 3, Lefroy #1 - 2. All 3 Bradford goals by Brayden Heatley, one unassisted, the others from Colby Jackson and Melissa Brinkos. Nov. 24, Bradford #4 - 3, Lefroy #2 - 3. Bradford

scoring by Brett Lassen with a pair (one unassisted), and Matt Quilz. Assists to Melissa Brinkos (2) and Lassen. Hard work by Russel Williams.

Chase McEachern Tournament

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Sincerely,

Dr. John Fitzsimons

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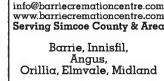
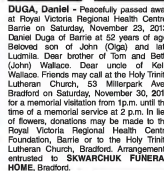
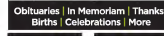
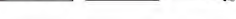
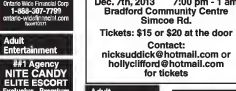
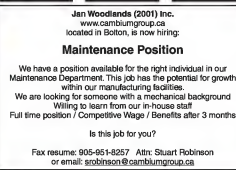
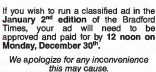
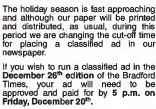
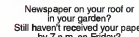
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Sports News



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Bradford Major Peeewe Rep hockey team won gold in the latest Blue & Gold Tournament, hosted by the Bradford West Gwillimbury Minor Hockey Association.

Major Peeewe win Gold

Bradford's Major Peeewe "A" Rep team won gold on the weekend, at a Blue & Gold Tourney.

Game 1, Bradford Everest Supply - 1, Willowdale - 1. Bradford goal by Jacob Lush from Anthony Roberts. Strong game in net by Noah Davidson, solid defense by Connor Staring.

Game 2, Halton Hills - 2, Bradford - 1. Close game decided by a late goal. Bradford goal by Anthony Roberts.

Game 3, Bradford Everest Supply - 4, Dundas - 2. Goals by Clark Carruthers with a pair, singles by Anthony Roberts and Jacob Lush, from Keegan Steyn, Ryan Macdonald and Nicholas Brundige.

Game 4, Bradford Everest Supply 6, Dundas - 1. Ryan Macdonald with a hat trick, singles by Nicholas Brundige, Dylan Rocha and Daniel Crosby. Helpers to Brundige (2).

Macdonald (2), Riley Outopoulos and Evan Cribble.

Championship Game, Bradford Everest Supply - 3, Halton Hills - 1. Strong team effort, as the team came back from a 1-0 deficit to score 3 unanswered goals. Scoring by Clark Carruthers, Anthony Roberts and Riley Outopoulos, from Jacob Lush (2), Kegan Steyn, Carruthers, Ryan Macdonald and Daniel Crosby.

In 5 games, the Bradford Everest Supply Peeewees allowed only 7 goals, due to stellar defense from Brendan Jameson, Ryan Taylor, Tristan Longfield, Keegan Steyn and Connor Staring, and rock solid goaltending by Noah Davidson.

And a thank-you to coaching staff Geoff Dossey, Doug Henderson, Joe Nanowski, Andrew Taucar and Patrick Turner.

Stuff the Command Post

South Simcoe Police have partnered with CTV Barrie to "Stuff the Command Post" with toys this holiday season, in a toy drive for the Simcoe County Children's Aid Society.

The Mobile Command Post will be at the following locations, and residents are encouraged to drop of new, unwrapped toys to ensure that children in need will have a happy holiday season.

Friday, November 29 - Canadian Tire Store, 430 Holland St. W. in Bradford, from 4 to 9 p.m.

Saturday, November 30 - Walmart Supercentre, 545 Holland St. W. in Bradford, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Sunday, December 1, at Tanger Outlet Mall, Hwy. 400 and 89 in Innisfil, from 10 a.m. to p.m.

Share the Christmas spirit

Santa was spotted at Bradford Alliance Church on Nov. 23.

Santa's Corner

SANTA from Page 11

On Saturday, November 30, Dutch Treat Specialty Shop and gift emporium, located at 15 Holland St. East, will be welcoming Sinterklaas and Zwarte Piet, from 1 to 3 p.m. Drop in, and bring your camera to take a photo.

Pet Photos with Santa, Sunday, December 1st, Bradford's Pet Valu, 442 Holland St. West. From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., bring your pooch for a professional photo with Santa, \$10 for a 5" x 7".

Tea at the Bradford United colour photo by Zwomman Photography & Graphics. All proceeds to the Lions Foundation of Canada, to support the Dog Guide program.

Bradford Tree-Lighting celebration, in Sunshine Square at the new BWG Leisure Centre, Friday, December 6 at 6 p.m. Free hot chocolate, carol-singing, and tree-lighting - followed by a Leisure Skate at the Centre (regular admission rates apply).

Innisfil Fire Station #1 in Alcona hosts a Tree Lighting Ceremony on Friday, December 6, starting at 6 p.m. Free pizza, hot chocolate, hot apple cider, coffee and Timbits, tree-lighting with Innisfil's Mayor Barb Baguley at 7 p.m. - and a visit from Santa. Bring your camera. Donations of non-perishable food for the local food bank are welcomed.

Enjoy Breakfast with Santa at the Elman W. Campbell Museum, 134 Main St. South in Newmarket, on Saturday, December 7, at 8:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Tickets are \$10 per person, for a Continental Breakfast.

It's the Arts!

ARTS, Top Page 11 St. W. in Alliston. Handmade gifts by 30 local artists and artists. southsimcoeartsociety.com

Art Unique Gallery & Gifts, located at 4293 - 2nd Line of Innisfil, north of Cookstown, hosts an **Open House** Sunday, December 8, from 2 to 4 p.m., to welcome Alliston photographer Michaela Preston, and Innisfil artist Leonora Frenette to the Gallery. Frenette works in fabric and paper collage. For more, see www.artunique.ca

Photo opportunity with Santa, and Museum admission. Bring a camera! Tickets must be purchased in advance, at 905-953-5314 or email elmannmuseum@rogers.com



Santa and Mrs. Claus enjoyed Tea at the Bradford United Church Christmas Bazaar.

Schomburg celebrates its **Main Street Christmas**, a day of old-fashioned family fun, on Saturday, December 7, from 3 to 9 p.m. - with the Main St. closed to traffic at 3:30 p.m. Huge Craft Show in the Schomburg Hall starting at 3 p.m., Santa Claus Parade at 4 p.m., strolling carollers,

musicians, seniors, hot apple cider, hot chocolate, and an illuminated Farmers' Parade of Lights at 8 p.m. Adult admission is \$5, free for kids 12 and under. For more information, see www.schomburg.ca

Trim the Tree at the Bradford Public Library, 425 Holland St. West, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on December 7 - a Free Family Holiday at the Library. Make Christmas decorations to take home, and for the Library's community tree.

Festive Fun at the Bradford West Gwillimbury Leisure Centre, 224 4th Ave. on Saturday, December 7. Free family fun that includes a make-and-take seasonal craft, and photos with a Special Guest. All welcome.

Photos with Santa, Sunday, December 8 at Coffee Culture Café & Eatery on Holland St. East, Bradford, 3 to 6 p.m. Get a professional 5 x 7" photo with Santa for only \$5, proceeds to the BWG Santa Claus Parade.

Take a break from the hustle and bustle of Christmas shopping. Come to the **Fine Art & Artisan Café**, Saturday, December 7, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Woodwright Studio in Bond Head, 4364 Line 7. Enjoy coffee and treats, view fine artworks by a selection of local artists, pottery and other crafts, and enter a draw for an oil painting.

For information, call Meade Helman, 905-960-4675.

Christmas Concerts

MUSIC, from Page 10 **Christmas Concert with The Sandvogue Singers**, on Sunday, December 1 at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome, to enjoy a concert and Christmas Tea. Call 705-436-9769 for more information. Free-will offerings gratefully accepted.

Tapestry Chamber Choir presents a **Musical Journey, from Advent to Christmas**, on Sunday, December 1 at Trinity United Church in Newmarket (Park and Main St.), at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for Seniors and Students, free for youth under 18 - available at the door. For more information, call 905-826-6500 or visit www.tapestrychoir.ca

Voices of Joy Choir presents a **Christmas Cantata, O What a Light Sunday** December 1 at 2:30 p.m., at Bethel Christian Reformed Church, 333 Davis Drive in Newmarket. Admission by Freewill offering.

St. James United Church in Stroud, Innisfil, presents **Innisfil Choir** - singers from Churchill, Gilford, Lefroy and Uredale United Churches, singing together on Sunday, December 1 at 2 p.m. A celebration of voices and musical talents, guests are welcome. Admission is a donation of non-perishable food for the food bank, or a free-will offering.

Concert for Tayah

Suzanne Grondin and her students are holding a **Winter Benefit Concert** on Saturday, December 14, at St. John's Presbyterian Church in Bradford, at 2 p.m. - this year, to benefit Tayah Fairbrother and her family.

Tayah, now 5, is battling Stage 4 Neuroblastoma. She has undergone 7 rounds of chemotherapy, 3 bone marrow biopsies, major surgery to remove a tumour, a bone marrow transplant, and 12 rounds of radiation therapy and immunotherapy. The most recent scans suggest the cancer has returned.

Donations can also be made at CIBC, for Tayah Fairbrother in Trust, Acc't #1880136 Transist r 1042.



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